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European Intelligence.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The programme of Queen Victoria's visit to Ireland is as follows:

On the 22d of Aug. Her Majesty will arrive at Holyhead, remaining there until the ensuing morning, when she will cross over to Kinsale and proceed direct to Dublin. On the 24th she will visit the encampment at the Curragh and return to Dublin on the following day; on the 26th will start on a tour through the Killybeg district, and on the 26th will take her departure for Scotland.

A Liverpool paper of the 27th of July remarks: The recent heavy falls of rain have caused a little anxiety in the agricultural districts, as the crops are now ready for the sickle, and a few days of fine warm weather are required to complete the ripening process. Harvest operations are expected to commence about the first week of August, and the yield will, according to appearances, be very satisfactory.

The prospects of a good and extensive potato crop in Ireland are represented as exceedingly favorable, as this season's growth presents an almost general blossoming of the produce, a sight which has not been seen for many years. There is also an almost total absence of disease.

Sir James C. Melville died in London on the 23d July. For the past 39 years he has been connected with Indian affairs.

A convention with a view to accelerate communication with India, and in connection with the submarine cable from Malta to Alexandria, had just been entered into between the government of Great Britain and the Sultan.

FRANCE.

Several French papers, Parisian and provincial, announce that the armament of the southern coast was being pushed forward with great activity. The batteries of Pharo, of Endoume, of Roucas-blanc, of Marseilles, were being completed. All these batteries were intended for the defense of the Gulf of Marseilles. When complete, the defense will be such that (according to the local prints) a concentrated fire of 100 guns can be brought to bear on any given point of the coast.

The recent Paris census shows that no fewer than 23,000 persons are employed on photography and photographic processes in that city.

ITALY.

The Pope, in an allocution recently delivered, is said to have declared himself grateful for the continuance of the French occupation of Rome, but sensible of the pernicious consequences likely to arise from the Emperor Napoleon's recognition of the kingdom of Italy.

A Polish refugee, M. Pultizky, relates a conversation he lately had with Garibaldi at Capri: "Wherever in Europe," said Garibaldi, "a war of independence may break out, I will hasten with my companions as soon as I am called. I never take the initiative. I only act where those who are struggling against tyranny really desire my co-operation." "And how can you tell that they call on you?" asked Pultizky. "By the roar of cannon!" was the reply.

GERMANY.

The armament of the Germanic coasts of the Black Sea continued to be one of the favorite projects of Prussia. According to the terms of the basis laid down in the Conference of Berlin of 1860, the object was in the first place to build 80 gunboats—40 first class, 20 second, and 20 third. Prussia would engage to furnish the 40 first class, and 10 each of the other two, charging herself at the same time with the surveillance of the military ports of Jaldie and Oldenburg. The Hanse towns of Hamburg and Bremen were each to furnish 10 gunboats of the second class, to carry their respective flags. An understanding was to be come to with Prussia for everything connected with the armament, equipment, support and repairs of these boats. On the above data repose the negotiations that have been opened with the Germanic States on the coast of the North Sea and the Baltic.

There was some question of organizing at Berlin a rifle match similar to that of Gotha, and it was desired, on that occasion, to introduce uniform arms in all the rifle and gymnastic societies of Prussia.

The Duke of Saxe-Coburg had proclaimed first marksman of Germany M. de Leeuw of Dusseldorf, who, in the recent national rifle match at Gotha, hit the centre 151 times out of 302 shots, and gained 120 prizes in money, and nine others.

A certain degree of agitation was said to prevail among the Hungarians resident in Paris. The French government had, it was reported, been sounded as to the support which might be hoped for from it, as regards the more or less independent action to be gained for Hungary, but the advances on the subject had been met with extreme coldness.

SCANDAL IN PARIS.

The Paris correspondent of the London Times says: Since the Mires' trial hardly a day has passed without the report of some scandal. Scandalous people begin to look upon it as an ominous sign. Not to speak of the Baron de Vidali's affair, we hear of nothing but failures, defalcations, and the flight of financiers from their creditors. One person who had long held a place of trust is said to have fled from the consequences of a charge of misappropriating valuable diamonds. Another personage, also holding a respectable post, is said to be in the debtor's prison, at Cligny. A third, a relation of one of the household, is proceeded against for the recovery of a trifling sum of 12,000,000, said to be misapplied in a manner not dissimilar from that in the Mires' case. A fourth, a rich capitalist, is reported to have sought the hospitality of a foreign country from a wish to avoid the consequences of large defalcations.

The Gazette de France says: There is much talk in Paris of the disappearance of a rather high

functionary, who, dozen years since, was placed at the head of an important establishment. His furniture has been sold under an execution, and he leaves, it is said, debts to the amount of 600,000, or 700,000. It is understood that the personage alluded to is M. de St. George, the Director of the Imperial printing office, who, in December, 1851, rendered an immense service to the budding empire by printing the *coup d'etat* proclamations with such entire secrecy that no suspicion of their existence was entertained till they were posted at 5 o'clock in the morning.

The Paris correspondent of the London Morning Herald says: Another financial scandal. This time the defaulter is said to be the Director of the National Pawnbrokers. In this highly centralized country every pawnbroker is a public functionary, and the various district pawnbrokers are under the superintendence of a pawnbroker-general, who has the pay of a Marshal of France, and perquisites innumerable.

M. D— appears to have done in Paris only what the Marquis Campana did at Rome, but I have not heard that he had a museum worth £160,000, like his Roman colleague, to offer as a security for the re-payment of the sums he has conveyed to his own use.

[From the San Francisco Alta.]
Our Export trade with the Pacific.

A material element of the prosperity of our State, or, on the other hand, of a reversed condition of things, is the extent and healthfulness of its trade with neighboring Pacific ports. It is true our agricultural interests need for their full development more important outlets for our products than these afford, but whatever facilities we may enjoy in that respect cannot be expected to be regulated in their nature, and must necessarily depend upon contingencies, varying with successive years. Last year we were favored with a large export trade to both England and Australia. With the latter country, the present year, we are already having some commercial intercourse of a desirable kind, but as to an immediate renewal of outward trade with Europe, there is as yet some doubt. Under any circumstances, our heavy export business must depend much upon what we may term chance, since the breadstuffs wants of those who have heretofore been our best customers must necessarily vary, one year with another, dependent as they are upon the sufficiency or otherwise of the home products of those countries. It is a subject of regret that such is the case, but our far removed location from the great consuming centres renders uncertain the demand on our food resources.

But if in this we can place no steady reliance, our relationship with adjacent Pacific countries should inspire more hope. Favored by natural position, San Francisco is, and should continue, the centre of trade of this section of the world. It is not alone in the abundance and cheapness of agricultural products that we possess the means of supplying the wants of our neighbors, for here capital and enterprise have elicited the various products of the world, and hence they should be dispensed more advantageously to those who need them than from any other point, not to say on the Pacific, but elsewhere.

And yet we are not making that degree of progress in building up a trade so desirable as at a brief period ago might have been anticipated. There are some drawbacks to that progress, which as a people, we could not and cannot avert. Among these, the policy of our national government in regard to duties on imports may be mentioned as the principal. With the free port of Victoria on our north, more stringent tariffs inaugurated by us were not calculated to strengthen the incipient trade just manifesting itself with our neighbors of the Mexican and South American coasts, or of the islands of the Pacific, or of the Asiatic countries on our west and north. We at first expected great things from the gold discoveries of our Pacific neighbors, but free trade with them sadly cut in on their trade with us. The decline in that trade the present year has been signally marked. Since January 1st to date, we have exported to Victoria merchandise to the value of \$520,000. During a similar period of last year it was \$1,041,000. But this is not the worst feature of the case. They are eliciting the trade of the Pacific, which we formerly enjoyed. In regard to Mexico, our export trade continues slightly to increase, and so long as the present warehousing system of the revenue laws may be permitted to us, we may hope that the privilege it confers will enable us to retain a hold on that trade, aided, too, by the well-advised enterprise of regular steam communication. Since January 1st, we have exported to the Mexican coast-ports merchandise to the value of \$704,650, an excess of \$103,140 over a similar period of last year.

Now, it is just such enterprises as the one alluded to that we must encourage, if we would build up the trade of our port under the adverse influences to which we have referred. We need steam communication, not only with Mexico, but with the Islands, and with China and Japan, and with whatever other Pacific country the interests of our commerce may point to. We have heretofore alluded to this necessity, and shall not cease to urge it, until we see the enterprise accomplished. Every day's experience more fully illustrates its importance.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT.—Dysentery, Diarrhea.—During the summer season these diseases exact numberless victims from the thoughtless of any age or either sex. The first derangement of the stomach is neglected, and the first irritation succeeded by inflammation soon extends into the bowels. In some severe cases, medicines, given internally, only aggravate the malady; what a blessing it is, then, that Holloway's Ointment rubbed externally over the abdomen, can arrest and cure the complaint. After being rubbed the abdomen should be loosely swathed in flannel to afford support and uniformity of temperature. Purgative food alone should be taken. When ever practicable, Holloway's Pills should be administered in appropriate doses unless increased irritation follow their use, when the cure can be accomplished by the Ointment.

FOR SALE.

TENNENT'S GLASGOW DRAUGHT Ale, in hds and barrels; Tennent's Glasgow Bottled Pale Ale, in qts; Do do do Imperial do do; Oregon Cider, in barrels and qts; For sale in lots to J. J. SOUTHWICK & CO., Wharf street, au25 1m

PUBLIC NOTICES.



VANCOUVER ISLAND COLONY

TENDERS FOR ROADS.

ON FRIDAY NEXT, (13TH), THE Surveyor General will be prepared to receive tenders in writing to construct the herein mentioned roads in the districts of Victoria, Lake, and Sanich, according to plans and specifications which may be seen at the Land Office on Monday, (9th), and four following days.

Douglas street to Swan Lake, (Commissioners' line).
Swan Lake to Junction of East and West Sanich Roads.
Junction of E. and W. Sanich Roads to Elk Lake.
Elk Lake to South Sanich.
Surveys will be required to ensure the works being executed well and rapidly. Lowest tender not necessarily accepted.

J. DESPARD PEMBERTON, Surveyor General.
Office of Lands and Works, September 7th, 1861. au25 1m

Vancouver Island.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 4th July, 1861.

The following important notice to Mariners, communicated to this Government by the Naval Commander-in-Chief, is hereby published for general information.

By command of His Excellency the Governor.
WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

A rock has been recently discovered in Houston channel, by H. M. gunboat Grappler. It lies about one quarter of a mile from the N. W. side of Admiralty Island—is about a cable's length in extent, and early uncovers at very low tides. From the south end of the rock, Point Southey (the north point of Admiralty Island) bears N. N. E. 1/2 E. White Spit (N. W. point of Kuper Island) bears N. W. T. MAITLAND, Rear Admiral and Commander-in-Chief.
H. M. S. Bacchante, Esquimaux, 1st July, 1861. au25 1m

TENDERS

FOR THE UNDERMENTIONED Works will be received at the Office of Lands and Works, New Westminster, British Columbia:

I. Construction of a Wagon Road, eighteen feet wide, on the Second Portage Harrison-Lilloet Road, commencing where the twelve-foot-wide road terminates, about eight miles more or less from Pemberton. It is to include, beyond that point, the unfinished portion of the recent contract and is to terminate on Lake Anerson.
The payment to be half in cash and half in British Columbia Government Bonds, bearing interest of six per cent per annum.
One half of the bonds to be redeemed on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and the other half on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.
Road to be completed by the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.
Tenders for the above will be received until the twenty-eighth day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

II. Construction of a Wagon Road from Boston Bar to Lytton, eighteen feet wide.
1. If the payment be made all in cash.
2. If the payment be made all in British Columbia Government Bonds, bearing interest of six per cent per annum, one-third redeemed on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-two; one-third on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-three; and the remainder on the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.
Road to be completed by the thirty-first day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

III. Same Road, if constructed twelve feet wide with bye-passes:
1. If payment be all in cash.
2. If payment be all in British Columbia Government Bonds, same conditions as above.
Road to be completed by the thirty-first day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.
Tenders for numbers II and III will be received until the fourteenth day of September, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

In each of the above works security of One Thousand Pounds will be required, and one-fifth of the payment will be retained for four months after completion of work, for repairs, etc.
The lowest tender, nor any, not necessarily accepted.
All the tenders to have fully and legibly written on the outside of the envelope the work for which it is a tender.
For further particulars inquire at the Office of Lands and Works, New Westminster, British Columbia. au15 1m

Real Estate Tax Act, 1860.

THE ASSESSMENT ROLL, AS FINALLY passed by the Court of Revision, having been this day published, all persons indebted thereunder are hereby notified that the amount of their liability must be paid into the Treasury within thirty days of this date. The Victoria Street Tax must also be paid within the same period.

G. T. GORDON, Treasurer.
TREASURY, August 9, 1861.

Copies of the Assessment Roll can be obtained at Messrs. Hibben & Carswell's Library. au10 1m

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Real Estate Tax Act, 1860.

THE THIRTY DAYS ALLOWED BY the provisions of this Act for the payment of all liabilities due under the same, will terminate on Saturday next, the 7th instant.

TREASURY, August 31st, 1861. au25 1m

Victoria Gas Company.

LIMITED.

TENDERS ARE REQUESTED FOR Piling and Grading a portion of the site for the works of the Company on or before Friday 6th inst., at the office of John J. Cochran, Engineer, at the office of the Directors.

JOHN J. COCHRAN, Engineer. au25 1m

DENTISTRY.

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THE UNDERSIGNED HAS IMPORTED

the finest Mineral Teeth and Dental Materials that are to be found on the Pacific coast, and is ready to furnish sets or single teeth in the best style. Dentistry in all its branches will be attended to by DR. ZELNER, Office in the Drug Store, cor. Government and Yates streets. au15 1m

For Nanaimo and Salt Spring Island.

THE SLOOP "BOZ" CAPT. FRATT, is crying the mails, leaves for the above ports every Wednesday. On the return trip she leaves Nanaimo every Saturday. For freight and passage apply to J. M. Muir, Langley street. au15 1m

BLANKETS FOR SALE, BY

JAN. N. THAIN & CO. au25 1m

FOR SALE.

2 HDS. GENUINE OLD BRANDY. Apply to the Undersigned. J. N. THAIN & CO. au25 1m

Victoria, 27th August, 1861.

FOR SALE—TO LET.

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Possession Given Immediately.

THE PRIVATE RESIDENCE OF THE undersigned, on St. John street, James' Bay. The House is lathed and plastered, newly papered, and in excellent order. The Outhouses are, a Wash-house, Stable and Hen-house.
Any gentleman wishing to live a short distance from business will find this a most suitable location. The House contains 4 rooms on the upper flat and 4 on the lower, including the kitchen.
For particulars apply at my Office, Wharf street. JAS. N. THAIN. au21 1m

FOR SALE.

LOTS NO. 809 AND 810 (60 by 120) YATES street, by au25 1m

FOR SALE.

ONE HUNDRED ACRES IMPROVED Farming Land in Victoria District. Apply to CHARLES MERRIS, Cooper, Humboldt st. bet. Government and Douglas. au10 2m

TO LOAN.

\$2500 TO LOAN FOR ONE, THREE, Five or Ten years, on good security. Apply to W. CULVERWELL, Office cor. Langley and Yates street. au16 1m

FOR RENT.

THAT BUILDING ON BROAD STREET, known as Assembly Hall, nine rooms and the large Hall above, in totality or in part. Apply to DR. CLERJON, au16 1m

E. T. Dodge & Co.,

PACKERS!

HARRISON-LILLOET ROUTE,

BRITISH COLUMBIA,

SCA—TERR

THE FIRM IS NOW PREPARED TO

convey over this favorite route

One Hundred Thousand Pounds of Freight

per Month, at Ruling Rates.

Mules and Wagons are kept constantly on the route at every portage

Between Port Douglas and Cayoosh.

And goods entrusted to their care will be

Forwarded with Dispatch

AND SAFE DELIVERY INSURED.

Orders Respectfully Solicited.

E. T. DODGE & CO., PACKERS, au17 1m

LADIES' COLLEGE,

Victoria Vancouver Island.

VISITOR:

The Lord Bishop of Columbia and Vancouver Island.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT, Mrs. Woods.

LADIES ASSISTANTS, Miss Penrice, Miss A. Penrice.

THE ABOVE COLLEGE IS NOW OPEN.

The Course of Education comprises Religious and Moral training, English in all its branches, Modern Languages, Music, Singing, Drawing, Painting, etc.

TERMS—Under 10 years of age, \$5 per month, From 10 to 15 " " \$8 " " Above 15 " " \$10 " "

THE ONLY EXTRAS ARE—

(1) Modern Languages, (2) Music and Singing, (3) Drawing and Painting. \$2 per month each.

For Prospectuses and further particulars apply to Mrs. Woods, Lady Superintendent. au19 1m

EXTRA FLOUR,

SELECTED BY MYSELF IN OREGON, and warranted just the thing

FOR BAKER'S USE,

Also, various brands

Common and Superfine FLOUR,

Suitable for Jobbing and Indian Trade.

I am in receipt of the above ex every steamer, and will be happy to sell at lowest market rates.

GOSHEN AND FRESH BUTTER, eggs, lard, bacon hams, and a well selected stock of choice California Groceries, always on hand.

Boatmen, Restaurant and Housekeepers, are solicited to favor us with their patronage, as they will always find good goods and cheap.

B. DERHAM, Baker and Grocer, 22 Johnson street, below Waddington alley. au17 1m

P. SMITH & CO.,

PACKERS

OVER THE DOUGLAS & LILLOET ROUTE

Are still Packing and Forwarding Goods to

LILLOET.

And are Prepared to Fort and 250 Tons per Month.

AT MODERATE RATES.

All Goods marked in our Care will be received and forwarded without delay.

P. SMITH & Co., Packers, Douglas and Lilloet, B. C. au25 1m

ED. LOWENBERG,

REAL ESTATE AGENT,

East side of Government st. bet. Yates & Johnson.

WILL PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO

selling, purchasing, and leasing property, to negotiating loans, and transacting everything connected with Real Estate business.

Maps of all the different Districts on the Island may be seen at his office. Parties desirous of purchasing Homesteads, or making investments, will find on my bulletin Board Town Lots on nearly every street; Farming or Gardening Land in every District; some of which afford a rare chance for investment.

Conveyances, leases, &c., drawn up at reasonable rates. au23 1m

Blankets, Blankets, Blankets.

THE UNDERSIGNED, AGENTS FOR several of the Yorkshire manufacturers, are constantly receiving shipments of Blankets, especially manufactured for this market, and have now a large stock of the same on hand, of

Colors, Weights, Qualities and Sizes, Which they offer for sale.

JANION & GREEN. au19 6m

HENRY NATHAN,

IMPORTER AND GENERAL COM

MISSION MERCHANT, No. 24 Wharf street, Victoria, V. I. au25 1m

NOTICES.

Wanted---A Situation.

BY AN EXPERIENCED MAN, AS Overseer or Foreman, the applicant understands road making, grading, panking &c. All communications to be addressed to W. S. COLONIST office will be promptly attended to. au20 2m

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY cautioned not to trade for or negotiate a note of \$205 55 drawn by Thos. H. Farrell & Co., payable to their own order, and endorsed by Kosland, the said note bears date June 27, 1861, and has been paid. Any party finding the same will be paid \$5 on application to the undersigned. REINHART & CO. au25 1m

Lost---\$2 Reward.

A SMALL BROWN TERRIER BITCH, with a plain brown leather strap collar, a buckle. Whoever will bring the same to Mr. Moses, Fort street, will receive the above reward. au10 1m

NOTICE.

IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE UNDERSIGNED finding that 25 cents per ton wharfage is inadequate to pay expenses, the rate of wharfage at Roussett's Wharf from this date will be 75 cents per ton as formerly. au5 1m

NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE SHIP "True Briton" must be sent in immediately to the office of the consignees. E. STAMP & CO., Wharf street. au25 1m

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT Thomas Newman Innes has with a right, title, or interest in my property on Fort street, or any other property which I own, as the documents in my possession will sufficiently prove. JOHN BOOTH. au9 1m

NOTICE.

I HAVE GIVEN MY FULL POWER of Attorney for the management of all my affairs in Vancouver Island and British Columbia to Mr. J. F. McCreight, Barrister at Law, during my absence from this Colony. GEORGE F. FOSTER. au31 1m

REMOVAL.

M. WINKLER, DRY GOODS STORE, has removed to Yates street, next to Hibben & Carswell, Stationers. au29 1m

REWARD.

STRAYED-A GREY NARE WITH her colt, branded I. W. Any person who will bring the same to the Livery Stable of John Tinker will be liberally rewarded. au25 1m

NOTICE.

THE TRUE BRITONS' CARGO IS now being landed at the Hudson Bay Company's wharf, and consignees can get their goods on producing bills of lading, paying freight and charges, and signing the general average bond, at the office of the undersigned. E. STAMP & CO., Wharf street. au25 1m

NOTICE.

NEITHER THE MASTER NOR Agents of the True Briton will be responsible for any debts contracted without their authority. E. STAMP & CO., Wharf street. au27 1m

THE BRITISH COLONIST

TO ADVERTISERS.

All advertisements, unless the time for which they are to be inserted is specified, will be continued until ordered out, and so charged.

Saturday Morning, Sept. 14, 1861.

Registrar-General's Office.

The office of Registrar-General—registrar of deeds—promises to continue, what it always has been, a swindle on the public. In no other light can it be regarded by a thinking community. It is impossible to picture it truthfully without showing:—1st. That the author of the bill deceived his constituents by palming off a useless system of registration for a simple, practical, and intelligible one; 2nd. That the author of the present system of registration of deeds deceived his constituents and the Colony at large, by repeatedly affirming in public, in private, and in the Legislature, that the registration of a deed would only cost one dollar, or 4s. 2d., whereas an original deed cannot be registered without a fee of \$2, or 8s. 4d., and one-fifth of one per cent. on the value of the property; 3rd. That if such property be transferred, there is a fee of 4s. 2d., with an additional fee of one-fifth of one per cent. on the value at which the property was sold; 4. That no mortgage can be registered without paying 4s. 2d. besides "one-tenth of one per cent. on the value of the interest covered by the charge;" 5. That the Act was so framed as to provide an office for a lawyer, to the exclusion of all other classes; 6. That the Act is a complete failure, and consequently the office is useless; 7. That paying the Registrar General a salary of £400 a year is squandering public money to pamper official cupidity; 8. That the original design of making the Registrar of the Supreme Court Registrar of Deeds, by uniting the two offices, has been glaringly violated, by which £250 a year is added unnecessarily to the public burdens, which might as well have been saved as not; 9. That the Assembly, in not repealing the Registration Act during this session, have tacitly consented to see £400 a year of the public money squandered; 10. That the Obstructors in the Assembly, by not passing a simple and inexpensive Registration Act such as the country requires, are misrepresenting their constituents and endangering the rights of property.

We might continue to multiply point after point against the useless Registration of Deeds' Act passed last session of the Legislature, and all pointing to the necessity of sweeping the law from our statute books by introducing a better Act, but we have not enough space in this issue to enumerate more fully points damnable of the useless contrivance of the Attorney General; neither have we space to amplify all the points we have enumerated. They all speak for themselves in language not to be misunderstood; all expose the rottenness of the Legislature that perpetuated a useless office in this country at an expense of £400 or £500 a year. It would be unfair to the country as well as an injustice to the author of the Registrar-General's office were we to pass over the fees for registering a deed with a mere passing notice. Mr. Cary told his constituents, both before and after his election, that the cost of registering a deed would not exceed one dollar. Such a low rate was really desirable, where so much real estate is continually passing from one to another; and had Mr. Cary fulfilled his promise no blame could attach to him on that score. Such a virtue, however as consistency is apparently unknown to him—and in this particular is easily demonstrated, as follows:

MR. CARY'S REGISTRATION OF DEEDS ACT.	
Application for Registration.....	\$0 50
Registration of an original absolute fee.....	1 00
Certificate of title.....	50
One-fifth of one per cent. on property of medium value, worth say \$2000.....	4 00
	\$5 00

MR. CARY'S PROMISE.	
Registration of a deed.....	1 00
	\$5 00

Exceeds promise.....\$5 00
Here, then, is an ample illustration of the way in which the public are deceived. They are promised that their deeds may be registered at one dollar each, and they are compelled to pay six dollars. Instead of a cheap system of registration we have a dear one. And yet for this excessive charge the public do not get their property recorded in such a way as they wish, or in such a way as guarantees security. At the outside, the deed of any property, whether of great or small value, should not cost more than \$2 or \$2 50; yet, by the system adopted they are compelled to pay \$6, more or less, according to the value of the property. To say the least, the fees adopted are a perfect deception palmed off on the public.

If we turn to the debate in the Assembly on Thursday, we find that body trying to bolster up the Registrar General's office, by separating it from that of the Registrar of the Supreme Court. Their true course would have been to lock up the Registrar General's office, and turn the incumbent about his business. But if that course were too violent a mode to free the country of the corruption associated with that office, the very least that could have been done was to unite the office with the office of Registrar of the Supreme Court. Burnaby and Tolmie done their duty so far as the question of economy was concerned; but in preferring the Registrar General to the Registrar of the

Supreme Court, failed. Those who voted to separate the offices, voted to filch money unnecessarily from the public treasury for nothing—literally for nothing. The Attorney General, who is the author of all the corruption and mischief, refused to vote either way! A pretty picture of independence, indeed, for a leader of a legislature to exhibit! He is an admirable economist, indeed. Only £250 a year is thrown away when it might have been saved. How can the Reform members who voted for perpetuating two offices justify themselves before their constituents? The only way in which they can be excused, is by supposing that they knew not what they were voting for; for if they voted knowingly they are as guilty of extravagance and squandering the public money as their Obstructive counterparts.

A Neat Job.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—I hear on good authority that a certain Springs' speculator—one of the grabbers, I mean—has lately purchased a lake situated beyond the city limits, and has had the money that was not used up on the streets of the town appropriated towards making a good road to the said lake along Douglas street. This grabber is said to be a member of our House of Assembly. Failing in securing the rich prize he coveted last spring, he is determined to bleed the people another way. Let him take care that he does not arouse the citizens of Victoria again, or there may be trouble created for himself and others, which will not subside so speedily as did the "Springs riot."

A TAX-PAYER.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DIVINE SERVICE.

In Moore's Hall, on Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock, when the Rev. E. Hall will preach. Subject: Profit and Loss.

PIONEER SALOON.

Johnson Street, opposite the Colonial Market.

THIS NEW SALOON WILL BE OPENED to-day by the undersigned, who pledges himself to the public to

SELL NOTHING BUT THE
BEST BRANDS
OF
Wines, Liquors and Ales
CONSTANTLY ON HAND.

THOS. J. BIRNES.

REGULAR AUCTION SALE

P. M. BACKUS

WILL SELL

TO-DAY,

SATURDAY, Sept. 14th, 1861,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

AT HIS SALESROOM, YATES STREET.

Bbbs. Hams.
Boxes Oregon Shoulders.
Boxes Oregon Apples.
Bags Bayos Beans.
Hhds I. X. L. Bacon.
Bags Coffee.
Cs. Byass Ale.
Doz. English Flannel Jackets.
Doz. Chairs.
Carpets, Sink, Wash-stands.
Doz. prs. English Pants.
Pes. English Cottons for lining.
Pkg. English Fannels.
Prs. Blankets.
Etc., Etc., Etc.

AUCTION.

I WILL SELL,

MONDAY, Sept. 16th, 1861,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

AT SALESROOM, WHARF STREET,

TO CLOSE INVOICES:

— Cases Oregon Hams and Shoulders,
— Cases Eastern Lard,
— 11 Firkins Isthus Butter,
— 10 Firkins Goshen Butter in Double Packages,
— 100 Mats S. I. Sugar,
And a variety of other Groceries.

J. A. McCREA,

Auctioneer.

The Island Market.

THE PUBLIC ARE RESPECTFULLY informed that the business of the Island Market will henceforth be carried on in the New Market, where the continued favors of customers will be thankfully received.

Victoria, Sept. 12, 1861.

Trades License Act, 1860.

PERSONS LIABLE UNDER SECTION 2 of this Act are requested to pay into the Treasury, immediately, the amount of their several licenses due on the 1st of July, 1861.

Under Section 2 are included—
Barristers and Attorneys,
Auctioneers,
Estate Agents,
Bankers,
Persons keeping Billiard Tables and Bowling Alley.

G. T. GORDON,
Treasurer.

TREASURY, July 26th.

JAMES LOWE,

Commission Merchant,

Office in Fiddell's Brick Building, Yates street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

COLONIAL BAKERY,

Government Street.

P. ODWYER, DEALER IN OREGON Produce, has constantly on hand Flour, Bacon, Hams, Fresh Butter, Eggs, Lard, and Apples, per arrival of every steamer.
Orders for Bread, Cakes, Pies, &c., punctually attended to.

GLADWIN, TARBELL & CO.,

IMPORTERS, COMMISSION MERCHANTS

AND

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

Groceries and Provisions,

Wharf street, foot of Yates,

VICTORIA, V. I.

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LANDING

EX KAFFIR CHIEF,

FROM LONDON.

DEMERARA RUM, 30 OVERPROOF, in hhds;

SWAYNE'S OLD TOM, in hhds;

BRANDY—fine pale in qr casks; Monier's in cases;

SHERRY, in qr casks and cases;

PORT, in qr casks and cases;

CLARET—fine quality in cases;

MUSKET—Blue and White Blankets;

FISH HOOKS Shot, etc.

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E. STAMP & CO.,

Wharf street.

RECEIVED,

EX MARCELLA,

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Service and Prayer Books,

Both handsomely and plainly Bound.

—ALSO—

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF

Superior English Stationery.

HIBBEN & CARSWELL.

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BOOK BINDING

IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.

WILLIAM STEWART, FROM ED-

INBURGH, is prepared to execute orders for Book Binding in the best styles and at the lowest rates.

Government Work Contracted for.

Orders left at Messrs. HIBBEN & CARSWELL'S, Yates street, promptly attended to.

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ASSAY OFFICE.

MARCHAND & CO.,

Respectfully announce to the public of

VICTORIA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA

that they have opened their new office for the

ASSAYING OF GOLD, SILVER,

COPPER, AND OTHER ORES,

And are now fully prepared to make all Assays entrusted to them with

Correctness and Care.

Returns made in from 3 to 6 hours in bar or coin at the option of the depositor.

M & CO. beg to refer to the following bankers:

Wells, Fargo & Co., Victoria

McDonald & Co., Victoria

Ladd & Tilton, Portland Oregon.

Davidson & May, San Francisco.

Wells, Fargo & Co., San Francisco.

Tallant & Wilde, San Francisco

Parrott & Co., San Francisco.

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Harris & Co., San Francisco.

Abel Guy & Co., San Francisco.

Office:—In the building formerly occupied by McDonald & Co., No. 3, Yates street, Victoria. se10 lm

CAMERON'S

Board and Lodging House,

SCOTT'S WHARF, NEW WESTMINSTER.

R. CAMERON TAKES THIS METHOD

of returning his sincere thanks to the traveling public for the manner in which he has been patronized since the opening of his house (14 months ago) and begs to state that he having greatly enlarged his house is now prepared to board and lodge any number of men that may please to call. I am determined, as before, to keep the best table on the river. The beds in the house cannot be beat for cleanliness and comfort, being under the management of Mrs. C.

Board and Lodging per week - - - - - \$5 00

Single Meals - - - - - 50

Beds per night - - - - - 50

Parties can have their beds free by furnishing their own blankets. The house is pleasantly situated, being opposite the theatre, and on the wharf where all the steamers start. Here in fact the boys will find everything skoonim. se9 3m

VICTORIA

OCTOBER RACE MEETING.

3d and 4th of October.

3d October.—The Victoria Handicap of \$50 each, with \$250 added, and \$50 only declared within three days after the publication of the weights for horses of all denominations. Mile heats; the second horse to save his stake. Two horses to start or the public money not to be added.

4th October.—The Beacon Hill Stakes of \$50 each, half forfeit, with \$200 added for horses of all denomination. 3 years old, 7 furlongs; 4 years old, 5 furlongs; 5 years and upwards, 5 furlongs. Winner of stake of the value of \$200, 7 lbs extra; twice, 12 lbs extra. Two miles; the second horse to save his stake. Two horses to start or the public money will not be added.

The entries for both races will close on the evening of the 19th inst., at 6 o'clock P. M., and the weight for the handicap will be published on the evening of the 21st. All communications to be addressed to the Hon'y Secretary, Postoffice, Victoria, V. I. A further programme will be issued as soon as possible.

H. B. CAMPBELL,
Hon'y Secretary.

OPENING SCHOOL.

THE SISTERS OF ST ANN WILL

open their classes again on Monday morning, Sept. 18th, for the instruction of pupils. se4 4*

South Sea Island Arrowroot.

FOR SALE, 300 POUNDS SOUTH SEA Island Arrowroot, in lots to suit.

J. J. SOUTHWATE & CO.,

Wharf street.

THE NORTHERN

ASSURANCE COMPANY,

(ESTABLISHED 1836.)

For Fire and Life Assurance

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

CAPITAL £1,250,760 STERLING.

The undersigned have been appointed Agents for Victoria.

JANION & GREEN,

Victoria, August, 1860. au21 6m

Wright & Sanders,

ARCHITECTS,

Office—CORNER YATES AND LANGLEY STS

Victoria, V. I. se7 4f

MISCELLANEOUS.

Sporborg & Goldstone,

YATES' FIRE PROOF

Stone Warehouse, Wharf Street,

IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS in Groceries, Provisions, Clothing, Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, etc., etc.

SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE, Dealers in Oregon Produce and Commission Merchants.

SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE, Agents for California Brooms manufactured at San Francisco. The trade supplied at a small advance above manufacturer's rates.

10,000 LBS. of splendid Oregon Bacon, for sale at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S.

150 CASES BOOTS AND SHOES for sale low at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S.

50 CASES OREGON LARD for sale low at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S, Yates' Fire Proof Warehouse, Wharf street. se6 1f

HENRY NATHAN,

9 WHARF STREET,

OFFERS FOR SALE, IN LOTS TO SUIT:

HOSIERY—Socks, Stays, Corsets, Woolen, Fancy Regatta and White long cloth Shirts; Cotton, Merino and Woolen Undershirts and Drawers; Black and Fancy Silk Neck Ties.

BOOTS AND SHOES—Ladies' and Gents', assorted.

CLOTHING—Angora Suits, Shooting Coats, Alpaca Sacs, D'Orsy Morning Coats; Leghorn, Panama and Felt Hats.

DRAPERY—Merinos, Alpaca, Colours, Muslins, Prints, Scotch Ginghams, Bag reges, Skirtings, etc.

OILMEN'S STORES—Pie Fruits, Sauces, Mustard, Biscuits, etc.

Assorted Table Cutlery, Plated Ware, etc. Boiled Linseed Oil and Bright Varnish, in bulk.

BRANDY—Martells and other brands, in bulk.

RUM—Fine Jamaica, O. P.

WHISKY—Scotch in case;

OLD TOM—Altona in case;

GIN—Anchor Brand in case;

GINGER BRANDY—In one dozen cases;

JUNIPER CORDIAL—In case;

SHERRY—In case;

CURACAO, ANISEED, etc., etc.,

And a general assortment of English Goods. se3

J. D. CARROLL,

Wholesale Dealer and Importer

OF—

Wines and Liquors,

9 YATES STREET, VICTORIA,

Offers For Sale,

Direct English Importations:

100 cases, 4 doz each, (Victoria Stores) Porter;

50 cases, 4 doz each, Pale Ale;

50 cases James Hennessy's Brandy;

50 cases Miner's Brandy, fancy bottles;

500 cases Swain, Boord & Booth's Old Tom Gin

200 cases Holland Gin, anchor brand;

50 cases Worthington's Scotch Whisky;

50 cases Old Port Wine;

25 cases Jamaica Rum;

50 cases Old Sherry Wine;

25 cases Swain, Boord & Co's Orange Bitters.

Direct French Importations:

10 1/2-casks J. Robin and Bonnot Old Cognac;

10 1/2-casks Pillevoisin Rochelle Brandy;

20 cases Bordeaux Wine, St. Julien;

40 cases Marseilles Wine, Bergan;

50 cases St. Julien, J. Durand;

Choice of Bl. gundy and Superfine Claret;

50 baskets E. Cligno Champagne;

10 cases Veuve Cligno Ponsardin Champagne;

Curacao, Anisette, White Wine, etc.

American Liquors:

50 cases, 10 gals. each, High Proof 95;

Kaffir Chief Case.

This prolonged inquiry came to a conclusion on the part of the defendant yesterday. Mr. Ring contended that the Attorney-General's case was, upon his own showing, 'out of Court.' He carefully analysed the evidence, showing that where the apparently conflicting evidence was reconcilable, that there were direct contradictions; the balance was entirely in favor of his client.

The learned advocate contended that almost the whole of the case for the plaintiff was supported by hearsay evidence, as shown by the affidavits of the witnesses themselves; and that the best proof of Capt. Mitchemson's capacity in the discharge of his duties was, that under his command and direction, through the whole of the dangerous voyage, the vessel was safely brought here; he also dwelt upon the fact that the able seamen he called as witnesses all stated that they were willing to go with him all over the world.

He also referred to the testimonies produced, which were of the handsomest character, and said that in cases of conflicting evidence, Courts of Law always cast such into the scale in favor of the accused.

Mr. Ring concluded a most able and eloquent address by asking the Court to dismiss the case.

The Court adjourned until Monday, when Mr. Cary will reply.

OFF FOR THE SOUND.—A number of men recently from Pike's Peak, left yesterday on the sloop Wild Duck for the Bellingham Bay coal mines, where they purpose remaining at work for the winter. These men came up on the last steamer from Portland, and originally intended proceeding at once to Cariboo; but finding the season rather late, have wisely concluded to remain in this vicinity and take an early start for the diggings in the spring. The fame of Cariboo, it seems, has reached the other side of the Rocky Mountains at last, and the Pike's Peakers alluded to may prove the harbingers of the mighty wave of immigration which is expected to roll towards these Colonies from the East next year.

COAST ROUTE.—From a reliable source we learn that a movement is on foot among the miners at Cariboo to explore the trail from Fort Alexandria to the coast during this fall and winter, in order to test its practicability for the passage of pack-animals. One business firm at Cariboo offers \$300 towards the object, and there is very little doubt, from the knowledge we have of the energy of the inhabitants of that section, but the exploration will be prosecuted with vigor so soon as a sum sufficient to defray the expenses has been subscribed.

THE CALEDONIA, with a small amount of freight and several passengers, left for New Westminster at eight o'clock yesterday morning. She is expected back this evening. The Otter is also looked for to-day.

DISCHARGED.—The New Granadian bark Anna Barnard yesterday discharged her cargo of hay at Union Wharf, and will sail to-day for Sooke.

THE NEW ROAD.—The work on the new road to Esquimalt is being pushed forward rapidly, and has been completed to Father De Herbolme's residence.

WAITING FOR FRONTS.—Work on the four new buildings on Wharf street has been suspended until the arrival of iron fronts from San Francisco.

DAY OF ATONEMENT.—This being the Day of Atonement, will be generally observed by the Jewish portion of our population, with the usual ceremonies.

DELEGATES.—The Deluge Engine Company last evening elected Alex. Clink, Jas. S. Drummond, and James Hector, to represent that organization in the Board of Delegates.

THE HENRIETTA yesterday towed the Emily Harris to Esquimalt, where both steamers will await the arrival of the Sierra Nevada from California.

THE PIONEER SALOON, on Johnson street, opposite the Colonial Market, will be opened to-day by Thomas Burnes.

THE JAIL reported forty-two prisoners yesterday at the barracks.

THERE WAS NO POLICE COURT again yesterday.

House of Assembly.

FRIDAY, Sept. 13, 1861.
House met at 3:30, P. M. Present—Speaker Helmcken, Messrs. Coles, Cary, Tolmie, Waddington, Burnaby and Franklin.
The Pawnbroker's Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Waddington asked if the hon. member who represented the Governor could give any information as to what had been done towards improving the harbor.

Mr. Cary said that a Commission had been appointed and a report made, and the report was under consideration. It was too late to commence operations this year and six months were required for preparation.

INCORPORATION.
House went into Committee of the Whole, on the Bill to Incorporate the Town of Victoria, Mr. Crease in the chair.

The bill was taken up at the 50th line of section XX., and several important clauses passed without debate.

"The Council may by resolution passed in manager hereafter provided, devote any portion of the municipal revenue not exceeding in the course of the year, one-third part, towards defraying the ordinary expenditure of the Corporation in the conduct of its general business, and by a resolution passed as aforesaid, may devote the unappropriated portion of the said revenue and accumulations of past revenue, to any of the purposes for which the council is authorized to pass by-laws."

Mr. Franklin could not see how the revenue was to be raised.

Mr. Cary said that clause would be found further on in the bill.

Mr. Waddington asked why the amount to be expended was limited to one-third; it might be too much or too little, but why fixed at that ratio? Were the maintenance of the streets, markets, police, jail, &c., to be supported out of that one-third?

Mr. Cary said the one-third of the revenue was expected to cover ordinary expenses, such as salary of clerk, and other like expenses. The object of limiting the expenditure to one-third was to prevent the creation of unnecessary offices and expenses on the part of the Council.

The clause was passed.

"The supply of the said city with gas and water."

Mr. Burnaby remarked that by a special Act of this Parliament, the Victoria Gas Company had the exclusive right to supply the city with gas for five years. The Act under consideration gave the Council power to supply the city with gas.

Would that power interfere with the company's rights?

Mr. Cary—Oh, no; the Council has only power given it to pay for the gas.

The clause was passed.

"The maintenance of the police."

Mr. Waddington could not see why the city was to find money for the police and yet have no control over the force. The stipendiary magistrate had charge of the police here; but in some places in Canada the Mayor and magistrate have the control. Lately a system of appointing a Board of Police Commissioners in the large cities has been found to work well.

Mr. Burnaby complained that the burden of supporting the body was thrown on the city, and the control given to the magistrate.

Mr. Cary said the arrangement placing the control in the hands of the magistrate was only temporary, and probably in a short time it would be changed to the city.

Mr. Waddington said the board would be a board of police operations, and bodies might be required to place in the Colony as required.

If the city supports one-half of the police and the Colony at large the other half, there would be continual confusion.

Mr. Burnaby said that the expense of the police would fall on the city instead of on the whole Colony. In England the force is placed under the control of the Executive, except in London. He thought that here the police should be placed under the control of the Executive, and their support be drawn from the Colony at large.

Mr. Franklin said that the greater portion of the taxation fell on the town already, and he could not see the propriety of the city taking the bills, unless it was given the control of the police.

The Chairman said the Police here were used exclusively for the town, and when sent into the country it was in search of a runaway which had made his escape from them. He considered the benefit conferred local.

Mr. Cary remarked that the burden was a local one, and should be locally borne. Soon a rural police would be formed, the support of which would fall on the country.

Mr. Waddington read extracts from the Canadian Municipal Act, and believed the Board of Police system the best.

Mr. Cary said the towns where that system prevailed were much larger than this, and he did not think it advisable to introduce so complicated a system here at present.

Mr. Waddington admitted that the system was too complicated for this place; but the city should not be compelled to take charge of the jail and the prisoners.

Mr. Cary—It is not; the jail and its inmates will be supported by the colony.

Mr. Helmcken said he would move that the maintenance of police be struck out, and thought that the Government should keep peace and order in the town.

Mr. Burnaby stated that when the police were under the Executive they were paid from the taxation of the inhabitants of Victoria.

Mr. Helmcken said that if a disturbance were to take place in any of the districts, the Corporation police could not be called for; the only thing would be to call out the volunteers (hear).

Mr. Cary had not the slightest objection to its being struck out.

Mr. Helmcken said the principal revenue came from the agricultural districts, for which nothing had been done. Those districts paid all the persons in the Government employ, from the Governor down, and even the Hon. Attorney-General.

The motion was then put and carried.

"The improvement of the approaches to the city."

Mr. Helmcken thought the town of Victoria ought to keep the Esquimalt road in repair.

Mr. Cary did not think there was any necessity to particularize that road, as all the approaches were provided for.

Mr. Helmcken moved that the words "the Esquimalt road and bridges across the Victoria Arm from Point Ellice" be inserted.

Mr. Cary said if the Esquimalt road were mentioned it would exclude every other road. Why should money be taken from the people of Victoria and laid out on the Esquimalt road? He thought it a gross piece of injustice. Before the robbery was completed he would make an indignant remonstrance.

Mr. Waddington thought the amendment ought not to be passed, for if it were they would undoubtedly be the laughing stock of the town the next day.

Mr. Cary said of course they would, but if it were only to show the absurdity of the thing he would make the following amendment: that the Sanich road, Cadboro Bay road, the road to Mr. Helmcken's house, and the road to Mr. Burnaby's house be inserted.

Mr. Franklin would also put in an amendment, that the Metehosin road, the Sooke road, and the Barclay Sound road be inserted.

Mr. Helmcken's amendment was put. Ayes, 3; noes, 3. The Chairman said he should decide by voting for it, because he thought it was a very important road, and the neglect of it had seriously injured this town.

Mr. Cary's amendment was put and lost, as was also Mr. Franklin's.

Mr. Waddington said that he felt more mortified this day than he had at any other time since he had been in the House.

The Chairman did not think it right that such remarks should be made on the members of the House when engaged in performing their duties.

Mr. Waddington said such strictures on his remarks were highly improper. Much more severe ones had been made in the House of Commons.

The Chairman stated that they should be made when the debate was open.

Mr. Waddington said the debate had not closed, as the clause had not been put.

The Chairman said on that particular point the debate had closed.

Mr. Franklin moved that the Committee rise and report progress.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Waddington then moved that the Chairman leave the Chair.

Mr. Crease—Then the bill will be lost.

Mr. Waddington—I don't care, I insist on my motion.

Mr. Cary then rose and said the hon. gentleman would remember that there was now a most important bill before the House.

Mr. Waddington then withdrew his motion.

The clause was amended was then put—ayes, 3; noes, 3. The Chairman voted in the affirmative.

Maintenance of the Hospital was passed with the alteration of the word "the" having been struck out, and the word "Hospital" put in the plural number.

ERECTION OF MARKETS.
Mr. Waddington thought that the erection of markets should be left open to the public, and moved that this item be struck out. Carried.

Mr. Franklin moved that the words "the building and maintaining public wharves" be inserted. Carried.

Mr. Waddington stated that this was provided for in a previous section, and moved that it be struck out which was accordingly done.

The Committee rose and reported progress.

House adjourned till Monday, at 3, P. M.

ASTOUNDING DISCOVERY.—An interesting paper, says the Philadelphia Bulletin, relative to the natural dissemination of gold has been read before the American Philosophical Society, in which the statement has been made that the precious metal exists in the clay deposit beneath the city of Philadelphia. This clay covers an area of ten square miles, and lies at an average depth of fifteen feet. The paper says: The inquiry was

started whether gold was diffused in this earthly bed? From a central locality, which might afford a fair assay for the whole—the cellar of a market house on Market street, near eleventh street—some of the clay was obtained at a depth of fourteen feet, where it could not be artificially deposited. The weight of 139 grammes was dried and duly treated, and yielded one eighth of a milligramme of gold—a very decided quantity on a fine assay balance. It was afterwards ascertained that the clay in its natural moisture loses about fifteen per cent. by drying. So that as it lies in the ground, the clay contains one part in 1,224,000.

This experiment was repeated upon clay taken from a brick-yard in the suburbs of the city, with nearly the same result. In order to calculate with some accuracy the value of this body of wealth the theorists cut out blocks of the clay, and found that, on an average, a cubic foot, as it lies on the ground, weighed one hundred and twenty pounds, and as near as may be, making the specific gravity 1.92. The assay gave seven-tenths of a grain, say three cents' worth of gold to the cubic foot. If we assume the data already given, we get 4,180,000,000 of cubic feet of clay under our streets and houses, in which securely lies \$126,000,000. And if, as is pretty certain, the corporate limits of the city would afford eight times this bulk of clay, we have more gold than has yet been brought, according to the statistics, from California or Australia.

It is stated that every time a cart-load of clay is hauled out of a cellar, enough gold goes with it to pay for the carting. And if the bricks which front our houses could have brought to their surface in the form of gold leaf, the amount of gold they contain, we should have the glittering show of two square inches on every brick. These statements might excite merriment if they were not connected with the names of Mr. Eckfeldt, principal assayer of the mint, and W. E. Dabois, who read the paper before the Philosophical Society.

OUR RELIGIOUS STATISTICS IN 1861.—According to the statistics for 1861, the Congregationalists have in North America 2,734 churches and 260,389 members, of whom 201,409 are residents of New England. The different bodies of the Presbyterian Church have in the United States 6,696 ministers, 7,928 churches, and 683,982 members; the Old School Presbyterians number 2,693 ministers, 3502 churches, and 292,857 members; the New School have 1,583 churches, 15,271 ministers, and 134,931 members. In British North America there are 465 Presbyterian ministers, 625 churches, and 59,284 members. The Baptists in the United States number 8,952 ministers, 12,371 churches, and 1,020,412 members. In British North America there are 472 Baptist ministers, 675 churches, and 70,725 members.

EXTRAORDINARY DEATH FROM A WORM IN THE BRAIN.—An inquest was held at the Walsall Workhouse on the body of Richard Brady, twenty years of age, an inmate of the workhouse, who was found dead in bed. Dr. Barton, in giving evidence of the conditions he had discovered in course of making the post mortem examination, said that in the tuber arillare at the top of the spinal marrow, where the brain and the spinal marrow join, were four hydatid sacs or cysticerci (cysticerci), and he had further ascertained that it was not uncommon for her to eat sausages. The hydatid sac, he had no doubt, was composed of the egg of the tapeworm, the worm having been doubtless taken into the body in process of eating sausage. The worm thus taken into the body forced its way into the various organs, the liver, the head, eyes, and brain, and deposited its egg, and this again forced its way wheresoever it could gain most nourishment. The jury returned a verdict of "death from disease of the brain."—*Staffordshire (Eng.) Advertiser.*

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF VICTORIA, V. I.

ARRIVED.
Sept 13—Brig Anna Barnard, Olmsted, San Francisco.

CLEARED.
Sept 13—Schr Kattidid, Jewett, Port Townsend.

IMPORTS.
Per ANNA BARNARD, from San Francisco—630 bales hay—value \$876.

ROBERT HOMFRAY,

Governor and Surveyor for British Columbia.

CIVIL ENGINEER,

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Underground Surveys and Sections of Mines—Laying out Railroads, Canals, Ditches, Tunnels, Roads, Bridges, Flumes, Dams, Reservoirs, &c.

MR. HOMFRAY HAS STUDIED Engineering for some time under the late celebrated English Engineer J. K. Brunel, Esq. (from whom he has testamially) having previously acquired a thorough knowledge of Surveying during a residence of several years with one of the most practical surveyors in England, and has since been extensively engaged in Placer and Quartz Mining and Surveying; also as Engineer of the Victoria Works, in a quired a thorough knowledge of Mining Works, in a residence of several years with one of the most practical surveyors in England, and has since been extensively engaged in Placer and Quartz Mining and Surveying; also as Engineer of the Victoria Works, in a quired a thorough knowledge of Mining Works, in a residence of several years with one of the most practical surveyors in England, and has since been extensively engaged in Placer and Quartz Mining and Surveying; also as Engineer of the Victoria Works, in a quired a thorough knowledge of Mining Works, in a residence of several years with one of the most practical surveyors in England, and has since been extensively engaged in Placer and Quartz Mining and Surveying; 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